

Arkendale, Coneythorpe & Clareton
Parish Council

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 25 January 2017
in the Community Hall, Arkendale**

Present: Cllr M Robertshaw (Chair), Cllr P Houseman, Cllr O Quarmby, Cllr J West

In Attendance: Angela Pulman (Clerk)
3 members of the public

2017.68 Apologies for absence - none

2017.69 Declarations of Interest – none

2017.70 Public Participation – none

2017.71 Parish Council Resignation

Council noted the resignation of Cllr Sarah Shipman and thanked Sarah for all her hard work. Cllr M Robertshaw advised Councillors that HBC had confirmed that there is to be no election and the vacancy can be filled by co-option. Potential candidates are to be invited to attend the next meeting.

2017.72 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on Tuesday 13th December 2016 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2017.73 Reports from other Councillors

NYCC Cllr Robert Windass and HBC Cllr Nick Duxbury were unable to attend the meeting on this occasion.

2017.74 Flaxby Development Proposal/Harrogate District Local Plan

Cllr J West reported that he had contacted HBC's Principal Planning Policy Manager to ask advice on next steps but, to date, had received no response.

Cllr West also informed members of another development being proposed within the local area, Flaxby Green Park. As this development has the potential of significant impact on the local area Council agreed that Cllr West should ask HBC planning department to include the PC in any planning consultation related to this development.

2017.75 AWRP Community Liaison Group

Peter Topham provided the PC with an update on progress which is going well, most of the cladding on the building will be complete in the next 6 weeks, landscaping of sand hill is virtually complete and works on Claro House are due to start soon.

Discussion moved on to the gaps (filled with mounds of earth) in the hedgerow, following on from work done by Northern Powergrid.

The Chair allowed this to continue as it would have been covered in item 2017.79.

Cllr P Houseman informed Council that the landowner is happy to leave the hedgerows as they are and Northern Powergrid has confirmed that area has been left as it is at the landowner's request. Council is of the belief that Northern Powergrid will fully reinstate the hedgerow once works are complete and if left in the current condition it may cause flooding. Cllr J West agreed to approach the landowner to further assess the situation.

2017.76 Finance

The following payments were noted:

1. Payment of £35.00 Data Protection registration
2. Payment of £20.00 Arkendale Community Hall
3. Payment of £95.33 Clerk's salary (November 2016)
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5. Payment of £25.00 St Bartholomew's Church
6. Payment of £22.50 Autella Payroll Services (Oct, Nov, Dec)
7. Payment of £570 E Harris Solicitor (via Cllr O Quarmby)*
8. Payment of £15 NYCC (via Cllr O Quarmby)*
9. Receipt of £1000 TRCF*

*Allerton Park Landscape and Cultural Heritage Fund.

An up to date statement of accounts was received by Council and signed by the Chair.

The Clerk informed Council that the bank mandate needed to be updated to include all current Councillors. The Clerk also informed members of the advice given by the YLCA in relation to internet banking and the benefits of switching to this method. Council agreed that the Clerk should continue to investigate internet banking as an option and report back at the next meeting.

Council agreed to Cllr West's request to attend a training course entitled 'Understanding the Planning System and making effective observations on planning applications' to be held on Saturday, 11 March.

Council noted that PFK Littlejohn have been appointed external auditors for the period 2017/18-2021/22.

2017.77 Parish Council Notification – Planning Application

- Application 6.87.16.H.COU 16/04137/COU – change of use from paddock (sui generis) to domestic curtilage (C3) at Clareton Manor Barn, Clareton Lane, Coneythorpe, HG5 0SA - PC has no objections.

2017.78 Planning applications general

No other planning matters to consider.

2017.79 Allerton Park Landscape & Cultural Heritage Fund Grant

Cllr O Quarmby informed Council that work on the telephone box is due to start, the tree survey is well underway (the scope of the survey has been extended so extra work may be required) and the hydrology survey should be finished shortly.

Cllr Quarmby suggested that the various surveys should be presented to Council and residents. Council agreed to organise a meeting to inform members of the public about the surveys and give residents the opportunity to ask questions.

2017.80 Coneythorpe and Clareton

Cllr M Robertshaw reported that he was struggling to engage with Groundworks re Traffic Calming measures but he would continue to chase up.

2017.81

Arkendale

Cllr Quarmby explained that a resident had mentioned the idea of a Quiet Lane. A Quiet Lane is designated by the Highways Authority and is intended to have the effect of reducing speed, taking the priority away from the motorised vehicle and using a 'share with care' approach. It was suggested Spitlands Lane would make an ideal 'Quiet Lane'.

Council agreed Cllr West would take this idea forward and make some enquiries as it would be welcome in this particular area.

Cllr Robertshaw reported on the suggestion of a bus shelter behind The Bluebell pub. The suitability of the location was discussed and Council agreed that Cllr Robertshaw and Cllr Quarmby would investigate the possibility further.

Cllr Robertshaw informed members that he had spoken to Area 6 Highways about the cones on Westfield Lane, the site has been visited and it was confirmed that the land is privately owned, but as the cones were positioned on the absolute boundary Area 6 intended to ask the landowner to move the cones back away from the boundary to help ease the congestion.

2017.82

Correspondence:

Council agreed to receive and note the following:

- December 2016 White Rose Update.

2017.83

Highways

Cllr Robertshaw has spoken to NYCC Highways regarding kerbing around the triangle at Coneythorpe. Highways confirmed that it would be possible to have standard roadside kerbing but it would not fall within their budget.

Cllr Robertshaw agreed to follow this up by requesting an indication of cost for the work required, Council may consider alternative funding sources.

2017.84

Fly Tipping

Cllr Houseman reported that there had been no incidents since last meeting.

2017.85

Matters for inclusion on next agenda

Peter Topham asked if Council were thinking of doing a 'Village Spring Clean' in Arkendale and Coneythorpe this year.

The Clerk to email HBC and ask if any equipment is available and when.

2017.86

Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 8 March 2017 at 7.30pm in the Community Hall, Arkendale.

Please note the date of the meeting has been postponed and it will now take place on Wednesday 12 April 2017 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed Dated